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Applicant GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY		

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Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

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Unity of invention is lacking (see Box II).

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 H02K3/24

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 H02K

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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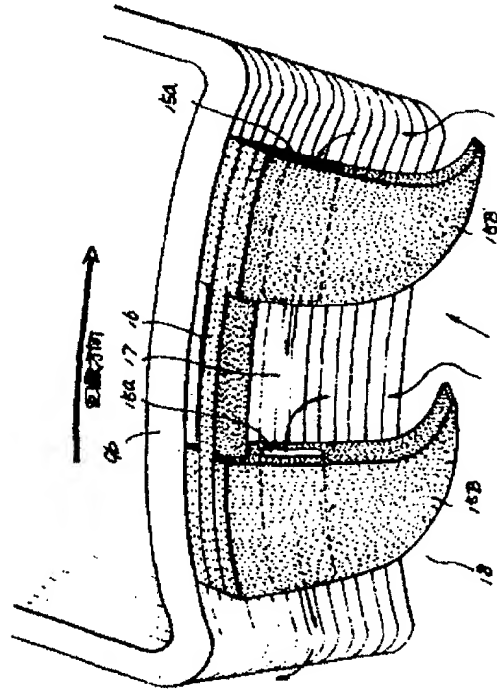
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APPLICATION NUMBER : 55152165

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INVENTOR : OI MASAO;

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TITLE : ROTOR IN ROTARY ELECTRIC MACHINE



ABSTRACT : PURPOSE: To improve cooling efficiency of coil end portions and reduce vibration and make the coil end portions compact, by a method wherein a cooling fan with inner diameter side projecting towards the rotating direction is provided within a draught gap between the coil end portions, and draught passage is constituted at outer diameter side of the cooling fan.

CONSTITUTION: Tip at inner diameter side of an insulation spacer 15B interposed between coil end portions 9b is curved towards the rotating direction of arrow indication, and a cooling fan is formed to blow cooling air between the coil ends accompanying the rotation. A draught hole 15a penetrating in the rotating direction is formed at outer diameter side of the insulation spacer 15B thereby passage for cooling air flowing between the coil ends is constituted. In this constitution, cooling efficiency of the coil end portion 9b is improved, vibration caused by thermal expansion is reduced, and the coil end portions are made compact.

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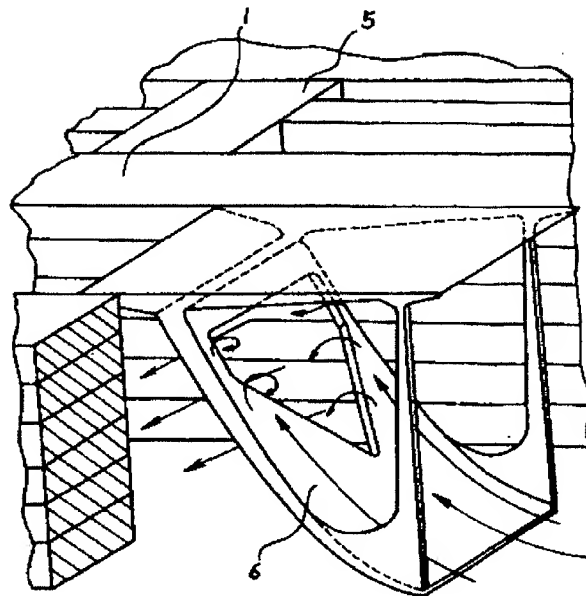
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TITLE : COOLING DEVICE OF ROTOR
ENDCOIL PART OF ROTARY
ELECTRIC MACHINE



ABSTRACT : PURPOSE: To remove the stagnation of refrigerant near a retaining ring by preparing a ventilation spacer having an inclined plane along the flow of refrigerant and a ventilation hole between the endcoils with an inserted intercoil spacer.

CONSTITUTION: Between the endcoils 1 with an inserted intercoil spacer 5 a ventilation spacer 6 having an inclined plane along the flow of the refrigerant when rotating as well as a ventilation hole thereon is to be inserted. Thereby the refrigerant is forced to flow thus to improve a refrigerating effect of the endcoil with an increased quantity of refrigerant.

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